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### **Deadline Approaches for Energy and Environment Cabinet's Middle School Photography Contest** *Spring break offers students perfect time to get out the camera*

**Frankfort, Ky.** (March 26, 2013) – Time is running out to submit photos to the Kentucky Energy and Environment Cabinet's (EEC) "Capture the Earth" middle school digital photography contest.

The "Capture the Earth" photo contest is open to all Kentucky middle school students. Judges will look for originality and creativity, photo composition, and a brief explanation of how well the photograph celebrates the beauty and diversity of Kentucky and encourages others to care about the state's environment through stewardship and conservation.

EEC will accept entries until 4:30 p.m. on April 15, 2013. The winner will receive two nights lodging at any Kentucky State Resort Park with his or her family. The winner also will be recognized at the state's Earth Day event April 22 at the Capitol Education Center, located on the grounds of the Kentucky State Capitol. The event, which will include environmental education booths and displays, will begin at 10 a.m. ET. The 2013 Kentucky Earth Day celebration is sponsored by the Office of the First Lady, the Energy and Environment Cabinet and the Education and Workforce Development Cabinet.

Middle school students may e-mail one photograph as an attachment to [Kidsphotocontest@ky.gov](mailto:Kidsphotocontest@ky.gov). Official contest rules are available at <http://eec.ky.gov/Pages/earthday.aspx>.

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